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We Claim:

1. A software delivery system comprising:
- a digital storage device containing a control module and at least one software product, said software product having been assigned a unique identifier; and
- a computer system, said computer system having a drive for reading data stored on said digital storage device, a processor, a hard drive and a non-volatile memory, said computer system storing at least one identifier corresponding to the identifier of said software product in said non-volatile memory;
- whereby when said digital storage device is read by said drive, said control module loads onto said hard drive the software product having an identifier which corresponds to the identifier stored in the non-volatile memory of said computer system.
2. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said non-volatile memory may be updated to include additional identifiers.
3. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said non-volatile memory is read-only-memory.

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1 4. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said
2 identifier in said non-volatile memory is encrypted.

1 5. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 2 further
2 comprising an update module for updating said non-volatile memory to
3 include additional identifiers.

1 6. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 further
2 comprising a serial number stored in said computer system.

1 7. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 6 wherein said
2 serial number is stored in said non-volatile memory of said computer
3 system.

1 8. A software delivery system comprising:

2 a digital storage device containing a control module and a plurality
3 of software modules containing at least one software in each of said
4 modules, each of said software modules having been assigned a unique
5 identifier; and

6 a computer system, said computer system having a drive for reading
7 data stored on said digital storage device, a processor, a hard drive and a
8 non-volatile memory, said computer system storing at least one identifier in
9 said non-volatile memory which corresponds to at least one identifier of
10 said software modules;

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11 whereby when said digital storage device is read by said drive, said
12 control module loads onto said hard drive the software from the software
13 module having an identifier which corresponds to the identifier stored in
14 the non-volatile memory of said computer system.

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1 9. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said
2 non-volatile memory may be updated to include additional identifiers.

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1 10. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said
2 non-volatile memory is read-only-memory.

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1 11. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said
2 identifier in said non-volatile memory is encrypted.

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1 12. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 9 further
2 comprising an update module for updating said non-volatile memory to
3 include additional identifiers.

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1 13. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 further
2 comprising a serial number stored in said computer system.

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1 14. The software delivery system as recited in Claim 13 wherein said
2 serial number is stored in said non-volatile memory of said computer
3 system.

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1 17. The method as recited in Claim 15 further comprising the step of
2 testing the set of software before it is written onto said digital storage
3 device.

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1 18. The method as recited in Claim 15 wherein said identifier in said
2 non-volatile memory is encrypted.

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1 19. The method as recited in Claim 15 further comprising the step of
2 checking a serial number of said computer system before executing said
3 step of writing the identifier of said custom-ordered software into the non-
4 volatile memory of said computer system.

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